

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claim 1 and cancel claim 4 such that the status of pending claims 1-29 is as follows:

1.(Currently Amended) A pest removal device for removing a pest from a surface comprising:  
an engagement side covered with an adhesive layer;  
a backing side positioned opposite the engagement side; and  
a single release tab covered with a tab liner extending from the engagement side  
and the backing side ~~the pest removal device~~ for removing the  
engagement side from the surface.

2.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 1, wherein the single release tab is positioned adjacent the engagement side.

3.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 1, wherein the single release tab extends from the backing side.

4.(Canceled)

5.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 1, wherein the pest is selected from the group consisting of insects, arachnids, and rodents.

6.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer is penetrated with an antiseptic.

7.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 6, wherein the antiseptic is alcohol.

8.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 1, further comprising:  
a storing liner to which the pest removal device is removably attached.

9.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 8, wherein the storing liner is spooled in a  
dispenser.

10.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 1, wherein the backing surface is covered with  
an adhesive layer.

11.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 1, wherein the surface is human skin.

12.(Original) A pest removal device for removing a pest from a surface comprising:  
a main body having a length, a width, a perimeter, an engagement side covered  
with an adhesive layer and a backing side positioned opposite the  
engagement side; and  
a release tab extending from the perimeter of the main body, the release tab has a  
length parallel to the main body length and less than the main body length  
and a width parallel to the main body width and less than the main body  
width.

13.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 12, wherein the main body length and width are  
equal and define a diameter of a circle.

14.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 12, wherein the release tab length and width are  
equal and define a radius of a half circle, the half circle extends from the perimeter of the main  
body.

15.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 12, wherein at least a portion of the backing side is covered with an adhesive layer.

16.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 12, wherein the release tab is covered with a tab liner.

17.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 12, wherein the main body and release tab are constructed of a flexible, resilient foam material.

18.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 12, further comprising a storing liner to releasably attach to the engagement side of the main body.

19.(Original) A pest removal device for removing a pest from a surface comprising:  
a substrate comprising a first side and a second side, wherein the first side has an engagement portion and a single release tab portion;  
an adhesive layer covering the engagement portion of the first side to contact the pest; and  
a tab liner covering the single release tab portion of the first side.

20.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 19, further comprising:  
a storing liner to which the pest removal device is removably attached.

21.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 20, wherein the storing liner is spooled in a dispenser.

22.(Original) The pest removal device of claim 20, further comprising an adhesive layer covering the second side of the substrate.

- 23.(Original) A pest removal device for removing a pest from a surface comprising:  
a substrate comprising a first side and a second side;  
means for removably storing the pest removal devices;  
means for securing the pest to the first side of the substrate; and  
means for holding the pest removal device without contacting the means for  
securing.
- 24.(Original) A pest removal device for removing a pest from a surface comprising:  
a circular disk comprising a first surface and a second surface, wherein the first  
surface has an engagement portion and a single release tab portion;  
an adhesive layer covering the engagement portion of the first surface to contact  
the pest;  
a tab liner covering the single release tab portion of the first surface; and  
a storing liner to removably secure the adhesive layer of the pest removal device.
- 25.(Original) A method of removing a pest from a surface comprising:  
providing an pest removal device, wherein the pest removal device comprises an  
engagement side covered with an adhesive layer, a backing side positioned  
opposite the engagement side, and a single release tab covered with a tab  
liner extending from the pest removal device to remove the pest removal  
device from the surface;  
positioning the engagement side over the pest;  
securing the pest removal device to the pest and the surface;  
pulling the single release tab; and  
removing the pest removal device from the surface with the pest attached to the  
engagement side of the pest removal device.

26.(Original) The method of claim 25, further comprising:  
providing a storing liner to removably secure the engagement side of the pest  
removal device.

27.(Original) The method of claim 25, further comprising:  
folding the pest removal device to trap the pest.

28.(Original) The method of claim 25, further comprising:  
disposing of the pest removal device.

29.(Original) The method of claim 25, further comprising:  
saving the pest attached to the pest removal device; and  
analyzing the pest for disease.